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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Serial No. : 09/386,824

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Title **VOICE CODING METHOD, VOICE CODING
APPARATUS, AND VOICE DECODING
APPARATUS**

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant requests that the time for taking action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for:

() one month (X) three months
() two months () four months

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17 for the extension of time is \$930.

() Fee enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for this extension of time to Deposit Account No. 50-1290. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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() Applicant is a small entity entitled to pay reduced fees in this application.

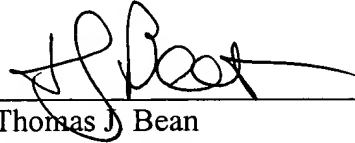
A verified small entity statement:

() has been filed () is enclosed.

Also enclosed is a:

(X) Response () Notice of Appeal () Appeal Brief
(X) Continued Prosecution Application (CPA)

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'TJ Bean', is written over a horizontal line.

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